# DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2010

## A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan.

# B. ROLL CALL: President Keough

J. Carson P. Cousins
D. Fisher J. Semifero
J. Smith R. Tell

#### C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting - May 24, 2010

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 24, 2010 with the addition of *Bell Equipment of Lake Orion, Michigan* as the supplier of the Elgin Pelican Sweeper and *Sensus* metering equipment from *Etna Supply Company of Grand Rapids, Michigan* under L-3 in New Business.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

#### D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

#### E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith: support Fisher to approve the agenda with the following addition:

Add item J-5 under Consent Agenda, Sign Request from Relay for Life

Unanimous voice vote for approval

## F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Action on each public hearing will be taken immediately following the close of the hearing

1. Proposed 2010-2011 Millage Rates
Consideration of: Resolution to Establish 2010-2011 Millage Rates
President Keough opened the Public Hearing at 7:34 PM. There were no
comments from audience. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:35 PM.

Motion Tell; support Fisher to establish the 2010-2011 Millage rate of 13.5562 mils for the Village of Dexter; 9.8151 mils for General Operating, 2.8961 mils for Streets, and 0.8450 mils for General Obligation Debt.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

2. Proposed 2010-2011 Water/Sewer/Refuse Rate

Consideration of: Resolution for the Purpose of Establishing Water, Sewer, And Refuse Rates Effective July 1, 2010

President Keough opened the Public Hearing 7:36 PM. There were no comments from the audience. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:37 PM

Motion Tell, support Semifero to establish the Water and Sewer rates with an increase of 3% and Refuse rates of \$17.50 per month.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

3. Proposed 2010-2011 Budget – Will be a Consideration Item June 28, 2010 President Keough opened the Public Hearing at 7:38 PM. There were no comments from the audience. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:38 ½ PM.

# G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

John Price of 7645 Forest Street, Dexter questioned the installation of swales at the top of the hill on Forest Street stating that he does not want to lose the parking in front of his property.

#### H. COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Upcoming Meeting List
- 2. Letter to Teamsters Requested to Enter into Contract Negotiations
- 3. Huron River Watershed Member letter
- 4. Comcast letter

#### I. REPORTS

 Washtenaw County Sheriff's Representative – Sgt. Gieske May Citation Report

Sgt. Gieske submits her report as per packet. Sgt. Gieske also mentioned that the department is being proactive on solving the string of burglaries in the area; and that if all of the local fire works displays happen on the same night, the traffic in the Village could be heavier than usual for awhile.

2. Allison Bishop, Community Development Manager

Ms. Bishop submits her report as per packet. Ms. Bishop gave the following updates: the Mill Park permit is scheduled to be submitted sometime this week, ECT is reporting that there is .615 acres to mitigate at a cost of \$10,000 to \$15,000 for purchase and \$10,000 per year for five years for maintenance; United Methodist Retirement Center is seeking a minor site plan amendment and a

change in the funding to the Tree Replacement Fund which will be directed to the Tree Board, Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation; and there is need to do storm drain rehabilitation on Baker Road between Generations Together and Dexter Schools. Discussion followed on the wetlands mitigation and road continuing from Jeffords to Grand Street.

Motion Cousins; support Smith to dial back the Mill Creek Park plan by eliminating the roadway in the submittal to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment to eliminate the necessity that would require mitigation in the Mill Creek Park.

Ayes: Cousins

Nays: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Smith and Keough

Motion defeated 6 to 1

# 3 Boards, Commissions. & Other Reports-"Bi-annual or as needed"

Dexter Area Chamber of Commerce – Andy Kudwa
Mr. Kudwa gave the following updates: Mary Ann Falzon has been hired to
replace Judy Feldmann; the Annual Golf Outing is coming up on July 23 and
have 5 major sponsors; the Chamber is in the process of establishing a
strategic plan and are looking at the means of networking; membership in the
Chamber is down about 14% and some Chambers in the state have combined
into a county wide Chamber; looking to bring back the Annual Meeting to
Dexter; and feel that the Chamber has a better handle on the planning and
carrying out of the Summer Series.

Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Chair – Dan O'Haver Mr. O'Haver reported that the DDA is in a rebuilding mode now since the recent bond money has been spent. Probably won't be bonding again for 5-10 years. The DDA's number 1 priority is to build up reserves as it was necessary to dip into the reserves to complete the Forest/Jeffords project. Mr. O'Haver commented on the Jeffords Road extension through the Mill Creek Park and responded to the question of having Beckett and Raeder present at the DDA meetings as the DDA does not have an executive director and Beckett and Raeder act as the administrator for the DDA.

#### 4. Subcommittee Reports

Website - None

Downtown Fire Detection - None

Economic Preparedness - Jim Smith

Mr. Smith reported on the first meeting for the Economic Preparedness Committee held on June 7. The committee talked about the scope of the existence of the group, the next steps, use of the matrix, incorporating Shawn Ferguson's information, and the development of a survey. The next meeting will be June 21

### 5. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. Mrs. Dettling highlighted the following: the next Council meeting will be held at Creekside Middle School

and Council will meet there through the month of August; met with the Chelsea Wellness Representative regarding the survey; gave an update on filing for re-election; the first meeting for contract negotiations for union employees will be held on June 22; Forest/Inverness Streets are moving along and work on Ann Arbor Street began today. Discussion followed on the Forest Street restoration and the inconsistency of parking areas, swales and grass to the curb with other areas in the Village and how will this be enforced.

Motion Smith; support Cousins to change the plan on Inverness Street to widen the street to 28 feet from Grand Street to Ann Arbor Street.

Mr. Smith withdrew his motion

# 6. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. Mr. Keough reported on the following: met with Tom Ryan, cityhood attorney; closing is scheduled for Friday, June 18 on the Berner property; Northern United Brewing are still interested in the Village for their site and are working closely with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation and looking at the Grand Street property and the Martinrea property in the Industrial Park; and the Regional Fire Department meeting will take place on Wednesday this week and are looking at a tentative time line.

At 9:37 p.m. a recess was taken and the meeting re-convened at 9:42 p.m.

#### J. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$745,543.79
- 2. Consideration of: Request from Relay for Life to have live entertainment from 11 PM to 1 AM on June 26, 2010
- 3. Consideration of: Commission/Committee Appointments
- 4. Consideration of: 2010-2100 Budget Amendment
- 5. Consideration of: Relay for Life request to place five (5) in the right of way from June 19 to June 27

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the consent agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

# K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Facilities Next Step

Discussion included the use of a General Obligation Bond for funding of facilities, looking at the bond sooner than 2017, and to delay the discussion of facilities to the first week in July in order to prepare information on the mechanics of extending the existing bond.

# L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: Downtown Development Authority 2010-2011 Budget

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the 2010-2011 Downtown Development Authority Budget.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Agreement and Resolution

Motion Smith; support Semifero be it resolved to accept the terms of the agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment, and that the Village of Dexter does hereby agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows: to appropriate all funds necessary to complete the Mill Creek Park project during the period and to provide three hundred and fifty thousand (\$350,000) dollars to match the grant authorized by the DEPARTMENT; to maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the DEPARTMENT for auditing at reasonable times; to construct the project and provide such funds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement; to regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms; and to comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Setting Public Hearing for July 12, 2010 for General Code Amendments to Chapter 18 Public Nuisances

Motion Fisher; support Semifero to set a Public Hearing on July 12, 2010 for General Code Amendments to Chapter 18 Public Nuisances.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Investigating the Privatization of the Operation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant

Motion Semifero; support Tell to instruct staff to investigate the possibility of contracting out the operations of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Water Supply System, and the Department of Public Works with the goal of providing initial feedback at the second meeting in July.

Ayes: Semifero, Smith, Tell, Fisher and Keough

Nays: Carson and Cousins

Motion carries 5 to 2

# 5. Consideration of: Village Manager Employment Agreement

Motion Smith; support Semifero to approve the 2010 Village Manager Employment Agreement with the following modifications: Section 2-B, Terms of Employment, change 90 days to 30 days; Sections 7, Performance Evaluation, replace each year, in January but no later than the end of the fiscal year with annually; in Section 9, Fringe Benefits-Vacation Time, change unused vacation time will be paid in the year accrued to vacation time will be used in the year accrued; and in Section 9, Fringe Benefits-Insurance Benefits remove and long under disability insurance.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

## 6. Consideration of: Treasurer/Financial Officer Employment Agreement

Motion Smith; support Cousins to approve the 2010 Treasurer/Financial Officer Employment Agreement with the following modification: Section 9, Fringe Benefits-Insurance Benefits *remove and long under disability insurance*.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

7. Discussion of: Westside Connector Cost estimates for Engineering and Design

Ms. Bishop explained the parts of the trail and the estimated costs of connecting to the Westridge sub.

#### M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Tell None

Semifero Need to look at how we do long term disability

Smith Dexter High School Alumni and the Dexter Chamber did a joint

venture in Monument Park on June 11 hosting the band Legends

the Band

Jones Reminded Council of the upcoming Relay for Life event on June

26 and 27

Carson Would like to see another evaluation of the water and sewer funds

from Tom Traciak to see what the projections are and what cuts

could be made.

Fisher

None

Cousins

Mentioned the opportunity to go with Mark Ouimet to the

Michigan International Speedway on Saturday, June 12.

#### N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Kurt Augustine of 3360 Broad Street, Dexter spoke as a union representative that the discussion regarding contracting services is not a morale booster and he would like the opportunity to get together and talk over the numbers.

Brenda Tuscano, 8080 Huron Street, Dexter likes her job with the Village and feels that the Village runs well and Mrs. Dettling does her job well. People appreciate appreciate getting personal service and she has never worked with a harder working group of women.

# O. CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING LABOR NEGOTIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 Sec.8(c)

Motion Smith; support Fisher to move into closed session at 11:01 PM for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Fisher to leave closed session at 11:39 PM

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

#### P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith support Carson to adjourn at 11:39 PM

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: June 28, 2010